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SUBJ: DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER RE KOREA AND PUERTO
RICO

REF: A. STATE 181500, B. SEOUL 5770, C. BANJUL 0768

1. CHARGE SPOKE WITH MINEXT AF A.B. N'JIE AUG 4, FOLLOWING
LATTER'S RETURN FROM SEOUL AND PRIOR HIS AUG 7 DEPARTURE FOR
COLOMBO NAM. CONFIRMING REF B, N'JIE SAID HE WAS WELL
SATISFIED ROK VISIT, AND NOTABLY IMPRESSED BY TOUR OF
SOUTHERN SIDE DMZ. HE RECOGNIZES NEED FOR FIRM LEGAL
AGREEMENT TO PRECLUDE FUTURE OUTBREAK HOSTILITIES IN KOREA,
AND GENERALLY FAVOR ROK TILT ON KOREAN QUESTION.

2. N'JIE SIGNED GAMBII-ROK FISHING AGREEMENT IN SEOUL,
WHICH REPORTEDLY WILL LEAD TO JOINT VENTURE OPERATIONS OFF
GAMBIAN COAST. GOTG CLEARLY PLAYS FOR AID ELEMENT IN
DECIDING ITS KOREAN POLICY. DEBATE APPARENTLY CONTINUES
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AMONG PRESIDENT JAWARA'S CLOSEST ADVISORS REGARDING WHICH
KOREA LIKELY TO EXTEND MORE SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE
TO GAMBIA. ROK PRESENTLY HAS TWO DOCTORS POSTED IN BANJUL
HOSPITAL. DPRK HAS NO ACTIVE AID PROGRAM, HOWEVER,

IT OFFERED TO CONSTRUCT A BADLY NEEDED PARLIAMENT BUILDING,
MOVE WHICH WE UNDERSTAND GOTG HAS REJECTED.

3. CHARGE DISCUSSED PUERTO RICO, AND RECEIVED RECONFIRMATION
THAT GOTG POSITION ON PR DOES NOT DIFFER SUBSTANTIALY FROM
OUR OWN. N'JIE SAID GAMBIA FAVOR SELF-DETERMINATION FOR
ALL, MEANING PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE RIGHT TO CHOOSE OWN FORM OF
GOVERNMENT. THEREFORE, IF PUERTO RICANS CHOOSE COMMONWEALTH
RELATIONSHIP WITH US, ON BAI FREE ELECTION, THEN SO
BE IT.

4. CHARGE HAS REQUESTED APPOINTMENT WITH VICE PRESIDENT
CAMARA, WHO LEAVES BANJUL APPROXIMATELY AUG 12 TO HEAD GAMBIAN
DEL CHIEFS OF STATE PORTION NAM. HE TENDS FAVOR DPRK TALK,

AND WILL INHIBIT N'JIE'S PRO-ROK INCLINATIONS. EMB OFFICER
COLOMBO MAY WISH SEEK OUT BLAIN (REF C, PARA 1) FOR READING
OF GAMBIAN INTENTIONS DURING NAM.
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